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- 1. In February 1952, North Korean arrhantines began to inject persons throughout Korea with an unidentified serum of the most from Communist China.
- 2. During February, 40 percent of the residents of the Putch ong (128-19, 40-15) (DV-1255) area were afflicted with recomment fever. The fever was fatal to 11 percent of those afflicted. Persons under 21 years of age accounted for 90 percent of the deaths.
- 3. In early March, 7 percent of the modificates of Pukeh cag were afflicted with eruptive typhus; the disease was faval to some residents.
- 4. In early March, 7 percent of the residents of both Simp's (128-12, 40-02) (DV-3231) and Yanghwa (128-15, 40-05) (DV-3637) had smallpox.
- 5. By March, epidemics had spread in the area between Hambung and Chiongjin; lepidemics had not been noted in the area south of Hambung or north of Chiongjin.
- 6. By March, the Soviet Union, Szechowskia, Hungary, Rumania, and Communist China had each provided twenty-five persons for work in the headquarters of the North Korean Army Surgeon General Sureau at Hougadus (125-47, 39-07) (YD-4133). The North Korean Central Mospital was also at Yongsong. 3 Seven or eight persons from these countries were also attached to enrice whits on the divisional level of the North Korean and Communist these armies.

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1.	Comment. In late December 1951 the typhus epidemic in Ch'ongjin was gradually abating,	25X1 25X1
2.	Comment. In October 1950 Hungarian doctors and nurses were in P'yongyang,	25X1 25X1
3.	Comment. In January 1952 the North Korean 19 Army hospital was at Yongsong,	25X1 25X1

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